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1. "A new railroad bridge is under construction (October 1952) at Dayakhatin / not in NIS Gazeteer / on the railroad line leading from Chardshou to Khodzheyli. Dayakhatin lies on the Amu Darya River. This railroad line was put into operation in July 1952. It links the Uzbek and Turkmen Soviet Republics with the Kara-Kalpak ASSR and the Aral Sea.
2. "A new military center is being established at Dayakhatin to guard rail connections and canal work on the Turkmen Canal project. A large military airport is under construction at Dayakhatin on the east bank of the Amu Darya River. There are underground shelters there about 10 m deep and 200 m long. A port on the Amu Darya is also included in the Dayakhatin project. It consists of three zones, for machines and construction material, reloading, and military purposes respectively. Between 800 and 1000 workers are engaged on construction in the Dayakhatin area."

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